COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS

ADJUSTMENT FILING OF MARTIN

GAS, INC.

) CASE NO. 8730-1

ORDER

On May 9, 1983, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 8730 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased or a refund is received.

On October 10, 1984, the receiver of Martin Gas, Inc., ("Martin") notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be decreased by its supplier, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia") effective September 1, 1984, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with its purchased gas adjustment clause on file with this Commission.

This filing was based on rates approved in Case No. 8730-G; however, the last rates approved for Martin were in Case No. 8730-H. Therefore, the Commission is of the opinion that Columbia's rate of \$5.480 per Mcf, effective in Case No. 8730-H, rather than the rate of \$5.691 per Mcf, which was effective in Case No. 8730-G, should be used in calculating Martin's adjustment in rates. This change in the calculations does not effect the proposed rates, only the amount of the change in Martin's

wholesale cost of gas. This results in the Commission recognizing this filing as an increase rather than a decrease.

After reviewing the record in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) Martin's notice of October 10, 1984, set out certain revisions in rates which Martin proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale increase in price from its supplier in the amount of \$4,681 or 8.45 cents per Mcf.
- (2) Martin's wholesale cost of gas was increased by Columbia effective September 1, 1984.
- (3) Martin's notice of October 10, 1984, requested an effective date of October 1, 1984, for its proposed rates. Martin's notice does not provide the 20-day notice as required by statute; therefore, the proposed rates should become effective October 31, 1984.
- (4) Martin's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment provisions approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 8730 dated May 9, 1983, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be effective with gas supplied on and after October 31, 1984.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the rates in the Appendix to this Order be and they hereby are authorized effective with gas supplied on and after October 31, 1984.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the date of this Order Martin shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of October, 1984.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

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ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 8730-I DATED OCTOBER 25, 1984.

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Martin Gas, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

First 1 Mcf

\$6.826 Per Mcf

Over 1 Mcf

\$6.726 Per Mcf

Minimum Bill

The minimum bill shall be \$7.00

The base rate for the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Martin Gas, Inc., shall be:

Commodity

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.

\$5.569 per Mcf

Southeastern Gas Company

\$0.140 per Mcf